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Laurel Rod & Gun Club SB-381 Comment

Laurel Rod & Gun Club's 400 plus members go on record as Opposing SB-381

- Why would we want to allow more reductions when we are already facing financial shortfalls at FWP?
 - Anyone who was born here but is now a non-resident, relative of a deceased relative who lived in Montana-are you serious?
 - LRGC thinks legislation as this is more about fragmenting our public wildlife, our hunting seasons and a concentrated effort at privatizing our public resources than giving former Montana residents a good deal on hunting.
- We already have a number of licenses that are at bargain basement prices, such as the Come Home to Hunt.
 - LRGC believes the resident hunting fees should increase, we realize the
 resident hunters need to pay more of the bill. Our resident hunting rates
 are the cheap date in the West, a Wyoming resident pays over \$40 for a
 cow elk tag. WE WANT TO BE PART OF THE PROCESS OF LOOKING AT
 RESIDENT HUNTING RATES!!!!
- Our non-resident rates are already comparable with the Western states, why bargain basement them? Why cheapen what we have?

In closing LRGC believes this bill is more than offering cheap rates to former residents and more about fragmenting our public wildlife resources and privatizing the public trust, which is and has been democratically decided by Montanans! Please Oppose SB-381

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